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"Life in Lincoln's Town" author to sign books November 13 at Presidential Museum

SPRINGFIELD – The author of the new Stories of Springfield: Life in Lincoln's Town will sign copies of her book on Saturday, November 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Book Store at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum in Springfield. There is no admission charge required to attend the book signing.

Springfield author Tara McAndrew's *Stories of Springfield* are vignettes about the famous characters of Springfield, Illinois and why some of the city's lesser-known citizens are worthy of fame too. There are stories about the first Lincoln museum and its controversial creator, the cholera epidemic that raged through the town, and the operators of Springfield's Underground Railroad. Readers can determine whether Lincoln purchased cocaine at a local drugstore, unearth the mystery of a local poet's wrenching death, and find out how the local saloonkeepers beat the temperance movement. From the fatal pole wars of 1844 to the invention of dental forceps, McAndrew's careful research splices together the comic, the tragic and the completely unexpected in these chronicles from Lincoln's town.

The book was published in June 2010 by the History Press, and may be purchased at the Presidential Museum Book Store. For more information about programs and events at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, visit www.presidentlincoln.org.

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